

Notice of Allowability	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 8/20/04.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 2-25.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 05 December 2000 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. George on 01/04/05.

Claims 4-10, 15-16 have been amended.

4. Computer program product, as recited in claim 3, wherein the computer code for placing the plurality of mobile units in a receiving mode comprises synchronizing the plurality of mobile units to the single time slot

5. Computer program product, as recited in claim 4, wherein the computer code for setting the base station to the broadcast mode comprises designating the single time slot.

6. Computer program product, as recited in claim 5, wherein at least one of the plurality of mobile units is a hands free unit, wherein the computer code for converting the audio message into sound by the hands free unit is automatic, and wherein the computer code for placing of the plurality of mobile units in a receiving mode places the plurality of mobile units in a receive only mode.

7. Computer program product, as recited in claim 6, further comprising:

computer code for originating broadcast origination signal at an additional mobile unit;

computer code for transmitting a broadcast origination signal from the additional mobile unit to the base part; and

computer code for transmitting the audio message from the additional mobile unit to the base part.

8. Computer program product, as recited in claim 7, wherein the computer code for placing the plurality of mobile units in a receive only mode, comprises computer code for turning on only speakers of the plurality of mobile units without turning on microphones of the plurality of mobile units.

9. Computer program product as recited in claim 2, wherein the computer code for setting the base station to the standard mode comprises computer code for synchronizing those plurality of mobile units not desiring to converse with the caller to another time slot that is different than the single time slot.

10. Computer program product as recited in claim 2, wherein the specific mobile unit is associated only with a particular mobile unit identifier.

15. Computer program product as recited in claim 2, wherein the computer program product further comprises a mobile unit identifier data base coupled to the directory server arranged to provide a mobile unit identifier.

16. Computer program product as recited in claim 15, wherein the priority level is the intermediate priority level, the mobile unit identifier data base provides a mobile unit identifier arranged to identify a selected one of the plurality of mobile units suitably configured to receive the incoming call.

Allowable Subject Matter

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Claims 2-25 are allowed as stated in the Applicant's remarks on page 7.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to DANH C LE whose telephone number is 703-306-0542. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:00AM-5:00PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, WILLIAM TROST can be reached on 703-308-5318. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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